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For: SUBSTRATE FOR INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, INFORMATION
RECORDING MEDIUM AND PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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October 31, 2006

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Responsive to the Official Action of October 17, 2006 and the requirement for restriction presented in it, applicant elects the subject matter of claims 1-10 (as presented in the Preliminary Amendment of August 20, 2004), Group I, directed to glass compositions. This response is made with traverse to the extent non-elected claim 11 directed to the process for making the elected glass compositions may be rejoined once the product claims are found to be allowable.

Responsive to items 8 and 11 of the Action and the requirement for election of species, applicants elect species A, claims 2 and 3 and request that species B-D also be examined.

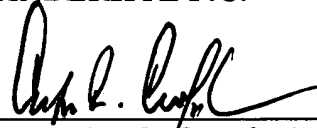
Please examine the elected claims on the merits taking into account the documents cited in the International Search Report in the underlying PCT application and other documents identified in the Information Disclosure Statement filed October 26, 2004.

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